

Los Angeles City Council, Journal/Council Proceeding

Friday, February 2, 2024

JOHN FERRARO COUNCIL CHAMBER ROOM 340, CITY HALL 200 NORTH SPRING STREET, LOS ANGELES, CA 90012 - 10:00 AM

(For further details see Official Council Files)

(For communications referred by the President see Referral Memorandum)

Roll Call

Members Present: Blumenfield, de León, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Krekorian, Lee, Park, Price Jr., Raman, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (12); Absent: McOsker, Padilla, Rodriguez (3)

Approval of the Minutes

Commendatory Resolutions, Introductions and Presentations - SEE ATTACHED

Multiple Agenda Item Comment

Public Testimony of Non-agenda Items Within Jurisdiction of Council

Items for which Public Hearings Have Been Held

(1) **11-1333**

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a proposed Seventh Amendment to Agreement C-119654 between the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) and Conduent State and Local Solutions, Inc. to continue the LA Express Park program.

Recommendation for Council action:

AUTHORIZE the General Manager, LADOT, or designee, to execute a Seventh Amendment to Agreement C-119654 with Conduent State and Local Solutions, Inc., to increase the total amount by \$3,600,000, from \$37,750,000 to \$41,350,000; and, continue the LA Express Park program extension through March 28, 2025.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The City Administrative Officer (CAO) reports

that there is no direct General Fund impact. Funding is available for the proposed contract amendment within the Special Parking Revenue Fund. Funding for subsequent years of the agreement is subject to Mayor and Council approval, the availability of funds, and will be appropriated through the City annual budget development process. The City's financial obligation is limited to the extent of appropriations approved by the Council and Mayor.

Financial Policies Statement: The CAO reports that the recommendations comply with City Financial Policies in that sufficient special fund revenues are available and eligible for this purpose. All funding is subject to the availability of grant funds and determinations by the Mayor and Council.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

TIME LIMIT FILE - FEBRUARY 26, 2024

(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION - FEBRUARY 23, 2024)

Adopted Item

Ayes: Blumenfield, de León, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Krekorian, Lee, Park, Price Jr., Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (13); Nays: (0); Absent: McOsker, Padilla (2)

(2) **23-1441
CD 11**

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the feasibility of implementing a parking enforcement program to restrict or prohibit vehicles being utilized as mobile storefronts along Abbot Kinney Boulevard, between Venice Boulevard and Main Street.

Recommendation for Council action, pursuant to Motion (Park – Hutt):

INSTRUCT the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT), with the assistance of the City Attorney, to report to the Council on the feasibility of implementing a parking enforcement program to restrict or prohibit the use of vehicles utilized as mobile storefronts along Abbot Kinney Boulevard, between Venice Boulevard and Main Street.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the

Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Adopted Item

Ayes: Blumenfield, de León, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Krekorian, Lee, Park, Price Jr., Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (13); Nays: (0); Absent: McOsker, Padilla (2)

(3) **23-0599
CD 4**

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the use of funds from the Ventura/Cahuenga Trust Fund No. 523 to install new landscaped medians on Van Nuys Boulevard, in Sherman Oaks.

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

1. AUTHORIZE the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) to enter into a reimbursement agreement with the Sherman Oaks Business Improvement District for the installation of two new landscaped medians of Van Nuys Boulevard from Moorpark Street to Hortense Street.
2. AUTHORIZE the Controller to establish a new appropriation account in the amount of \$683,473 for the installation of two landscaped medians within the Ventura/Cahuenga Boulevard Corridor Transportation Specific Plan Fund No. 523.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The LADOT reports that the proposed expenditure does not impact the General Fund. The estimated cost of constructing the landscaped medians is \$683,473 and will be funded entirely by the Ventura/Cahuenga Boulevard Corridor Transportation Specific Plan Fund No. 523.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Adopted Item

Ayes: Blumenfield, de León, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Krekorian, Lee, Park, Price Jr., Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (13); Nays: (0); Absent:

McOsker, Padilla (2)

(4) **17-1446-S3
CD 11**

ADMINISTRATIVE AND CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION and TRADE, TRAVEL AND TOURISM COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a Third Amendment to Contract No. DA-5260 with Solar Turbines, Incorporated to increase contract authority for ongoing maintenance and repair of cogeneration turbines at the Los Angeles International Airport, and exercise renewal options.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. ADOPT the determination by the Board of Airport Commissioners (Board) that these actions are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article II, Section 2(f) and Article III, Class 1(2) of the Los Angeles City CEQA Guidelines.
2. APPROVE the Third Amendment to Contract DA-5260 with Solar Turbines, Incorporated to exercise the first one-year renewal option, add a second one-year renewal option, and increase the contract authority by \$1,000,000, for a new total not to exceed \$13,227,860, covering ongoing maintenance and repair of two cogeneration turbines and related equipment at Los Angeles International Airport.
3. CONCUR with the Board's action on October 19, 2023, by Resolution No. 27821, authorizing the Interim Chief Executive Officer, Los Angeles World Airports, or designee, to execute said Third Amendment to Contract DA-5260 with Solar Turbines, Incorporated.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The City Administrative Officer reports that the proposed Third Amendment to Contract No. DA-5260 between LAWA and Solar Turbines, Inc. will increase the maximum contract authority by \$1,000,000 from \$12,227,860 to \$13,227,860 and result in continued savings to the Department of approximately \$30,000 daily over the cost of power purchased from the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power. Funds for the proposed contract Amendment are available in the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 LAWA Operating Budget in LAX Cost Center 1150070 - Central Utility Plant, Commitment Item 520 - Contractual Services.

Funding for subsequent years will be requested as part of the annual budget process. The costs incurred under the Amendment will be recovered through terminal rates and charges, landing fees, and from non-aeronautical revenues. The recommendations in this report comply with LAWA's Financial Policies. Approval of the proposed Amendment will have no impact on the City's General Fund.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

TIME LIMIT FILE - MARCH 8, 2024

(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION - MARCH 8, 2024)

Adopted Item

Ayes: Blumenfield, de León, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Krekorian, Lee, Park, Price Jr., Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (13); Nays: (0); Absent: McOsker, Padilla (2)

(5) **19-0224**

ADMINISTRATIVE EXEMPTION and TRADE, TRAVEL AND TOURISM COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a proposed Second Amendment to Contract No. DA-5343 between Los Angeles World Airport (LAWA) and Herc Rentals Inc. (Herc) for rental of vehicles and specialized equipment.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. ADOPT the determination by the Board of Airport Commissioners (Board) that the proposed action is administratively exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article II, Section 2(f) of the City of Los Angeles CEQA Guidelines.
2. APPROVE the Second Amendment to Contract No. DA-5343 with Herc to increase the contact authority to a new total, not to exceed \$13,400,000, and extend the term through October 31, 2027, covering rental of vehicles and specialized equipment for use at Los Angeles International Airport and Van Nuys Airport.
3. CONCUR with the action taken by the Board on September 21, 2023, by Resolution No. 27810, authorizing the Chief Executive

Officer, LAWA, or designee, to execute a Second Amendment to Contract No. DA-5343 with Herc.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The City Administrative Officer reports that approval of the proposed Second Amendment to Contract DA-5343 with Herc Rentals, Inc. to extend the term by 43 months and increase the contract authority by \$6,750,000 will have no impact on the City's General Fund. Funds for the proposed Agreement are available in the Fiscal Year 2023-24 LAWA Operating Budget in LAX Cost Center 1150063 - Facilities & Technical Services, LAX Cost Center 1150042 - LAX Airside Maintenance & Repair and VNY Cost Center 1400003 - VNY Construction & Maintenance Services, Commitment Item 522 - Materials Supplies. Funding for subsequent years will be requested as part of LAWA's annual budget process. The actions of the proposed Agreement comply with the LAWA's' Adopted Financial Policies.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

TIME LIMIT FILE - FEBRUARY 16, 2024

(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION - FEBRUARY 16, 2024)

Adopted Item

Ayes: Blumenfield, de León, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Krekorian, Lee, Park, Price Jr., Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (13); Nays: (0); Absent: McOsker, Padilla (2)

(6) **11-0626-S1
CD 11**

CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION and TRADE, TRAVEL AND TOURISM COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a proposed Fourth Amendment to Terminal Facilities Lease and License Agreement No. LAA-8581 between Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA) and Alaska Airlines, Inc. to provide rent credits for baggage claim system by common use airlines located in Terminal 6 at Los Angeles International Airport (LAX).

Recommendations for Council action:

1. ADOPT the determination by the Board of Airport Commissioners

(Board) that the proposed action is categorically exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article III, Class 1(18)(c) of the City of Los Angeles CEQA Guidelines.

2. APPROVE the Fourth Amendment to Terminal Facilities Lease and License Agreement No. LAA-8581 with Alaska Airlines, Inc. covering space in Terminal 6 at LAX, to provide rent credits not to exceed \$2,913,000 over the term of the lease for costs associated with use of Alaska Airlines, Inc. leased baggage system by common use airlines located in Terminal 6.
3. CONCUR with the Board action on June 15, 2023, by Resolution No. 27761, authorizing the Chief Executive Officer, LAWA, or designee, to execute a Fourth Amendment to Terminal Facilities Lease and License Agreement No. LAA-8581 with Alaska Airlines, Inc.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The City Administrative Officer reports that approval of the proposed Fourth Amendment to Terminal Facilities Lease and License Agreement LAA-8581 with Alaska Airlines, Inc. covering space in Terminal 6 at LAX and adding language to update the lease provisions that regulate the use of preferential use gates will have no impact on the City's General Fund. Execution of the proposed Agreement will result in LAWA collecting common use fees from common use airlines, which will be subsequently redistributed in the form of rent credits to Alaska Airlines, Inc., for an amount not-to-exceed \$2,913,000. The actions of the proposed Fourth Amendment comply with LAWA's adopted Financial Policies.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

TIME LIMIT FILE - FEBRUARY 7, 2024

(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION - FEBRUARY 7, 2024)

Adopted Item

Ayes: Blumenfield, de León, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Krekorian, Lee, Park, Price Jr., Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (13); Nays: (0); Absent:

McOsker, Padilla (2)

(7) **13-0171
CD 11**

ADMINISTRATIVE AND CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION and TRADE, TRAVEL AND TOURISM COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a proposed Fourth Amendment to Terminal Facilities Lease and License Agreement No. LAA-8757 between Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA) and Southwest Airlines Company (SWA) to provide rent credits for costs associated with the use of the baggage claim system by common use airlines in Terminal 1 at Los Angeles International Airport (LAX).

Recommendations for Council action:

1. ADOPT the determination by the Board of Airport Commissioners (Board) that the proposed action is administrative and categorically exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article II, Section 2(f) and Article III, Class 1(18)(c) of the City of Los Angeles CEQA Guidelines.
2. APPROVE the Fourth Amendment to Terminal Facilities Lease and License Agreement No. LAA-8757 with SWA covering space in Terminal 1 at LAX, to provide rent credits not to exceed \$6,393,000 over the term of the lease for costs associated with use of the tenant's leased portion of the baggage claim system by common use airlines located in Terminal 1.
3. CONCUR with the Board action on June 15, 2023, by Resolution No. 27762, authorizing the Chief Executive Officer, LAWA, or designee, to execute a Fourth Amendment to Terminal Facilities Lease and License Agreement No. LAA-8757 with SWA.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The City Administrative Officer reports that approval of the proposed Fourth Amendment to Terminal Facilities Lease and License Agreement with LAA-8757 with Southwest Airlines Company covering space in Terminal 1 at LAX will have no impact on the City's General Fund. Execution of the proposed Agreement will result in LAWA collecting common use fees from common use airlines, which will be subsequently redistributed in the form of rent credits to Southwest Airlines Company, for an amount not-to-exceed \$6,393,000. The actions of the

proposed Fourth Amendment comply with LAWA's adopted Financial Policies.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

TIME LIMIT FILE - FEBRUARY 7, 2024

(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION - FEBRUARY 7, 2024)

Adopted Item

Ayes: Blumenfield, de León, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Krekorian, Lee, Park, Price Jr., Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (13); Nays: (0); Absent: McOsker, Padilla (2)

(8) **20-0439-S1
CD 11**

ADMINISTRATIVE AND CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION and TRADE, TRAVEL AND TOURISM COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a proposed Third Amendment to Terminal Facilities Lease and License Agreement No. LAA-8965 between the Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA) and Air Canada to provide rent credits for baggage claim system operation and maintenance by common use airlines located at Terminal 6 in the Los Angeles International Airport (LAX).

Recommendations for Council action:

1. ADOPT the determination by the Board of Airport Commissioners (Board) that the proposed action is administratively and categorically exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article II, Section 2(f) and Article III, Class 1(18) (c) of the City of Los Angeles CEQA Guidelines.
2. APPROVE the Third Amendment to Terminal Facilities Lease and License Agreement LAA-8965 with Air Canada, covering space in Terminal 6 at LAX, to provide rent credits not to exceed \$154,000 for costs associated with use of the baggage system by common use airlines located in said terminal, to add language to update the lease provisions that govern use of preferential use gates; and, to extend the term through December 31, 2027, to be co-terminus with the Alaska Airlines lease.

3. CONCUR with the Board's action on June 15, 2023, by Resolution No. 27760, authorizing the Chief Executive Officer, LAWA, or designee, to execute a Third Amendment to Terminal Facilities Lease and License Agreement No. LAA-8965 with Air Canada.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The City Administrative Officer reports that approval of the proposed Third Amendment to Terminal Facilities Lease and License Agreement LAA-8965 with Air Canada covering space in Terminal 6 at LAX and adding language to update the lease provisions that regulate the use of preferential use gates will have no impact on the City's General Fund. Execution of the proposed Agreement will result in LAWA collecting common use fees from common use airlines, which will be subsequently redistributed in the form of rent credits to Air Canada, for an amount not-to-exceed \$154,000. The actions of the proposed Third Amendment comply with LAWA's adopted Financial Policies.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

TIME LIMIT FILE - FEBRUARY 7, 2024

(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION - FEBRUARY 7, 2024)

Adopted Item

Ayes: Blumenfield, de León, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Krekorian, Lee, Park, Price Jr., Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (13); Nays: (0); Absent: McOsker, Padilla (2)

(9) **20-0066-S2**

TRADE, TRAVEL AND TOURISM COMMITTEE REPORT report relative to the Community Redevelopment Agency Los Angeles (CRA/LA) Excess Bond Proceeds Quarterly Project Status Report as of September 15, 2023.

Recommendation for Council action:

NOTE and FILE the September 28, 2023 CRA/LA Bond Oversight Committee report, inasmuch as this report is for information only and no Council action is required.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Not applicable.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Adopted Item

Ayes: Blumenfield, de León, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Krekorian, Lee, Park, Price Jr., Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (13); Nays: (0); Absent: McOsker, Padilla (2)

(10) **21-0197-S1**

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a proposed amendment to Contract No. C-130958 with Fehr and Peers.

Recommendation for Council action:

AUTHORIZE the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) to execute an amendment to Contract No. C-130958 with Fehr and Peers to extend the contract for 13 months through April 12, 2024, allowing the contractor team to complete the active task orders with the same terms and conditions as the original contract, as detailed in the January 11, 2024 LADOT report, attached to the Council file.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The LADOT reports that approval of the proposed contract amendment will not impact the General Fund. Funding for this Task Order Agreement is encumbered, and completion of the project can be achieved within the current Task Order Agreement budget. If the contract amendment is not approved, LADOT staff anticipate there may be both a significant timeline delay and fiscal impact associated with rebidding the remaining project tasks.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

TIME LIMIT FILE - MARCH 11, 2024

(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION - MARCH 8, 2024)

Adopted Item

Ayes: Blumenfield, de León, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Krekorian, Lee, Park, Price Jr., Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (13); Nays: (0); Absent: McOsker, Padilla (2)

(11) **23-0619-S1**

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the 2023 Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) 2.0 County Transportation Commission (CTC) Partnership Program grant funding for First/Last Mile Revolution: Transforming Metro Connections to Housing (FLM) and Connecting Communities with Stress Free Connections (SFC) Projects.

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

1. REPLACE Recommendation Nos. 1 and 2 of the October 25, 2023 Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) report, attached to the file, with the following recommendation:

AUTHORIZE the LADOT to accept grant funds in an amount up to \$6.3 million from the 2023 REAP 2.0 CTC Partnership Program and execute the necessary grant agreements with the Los Angeles County Transportation Authority (LA METRO) as the lead grantee, subject to review by the City Attorney as to form.

2. AUTHORIZE the LADOT to establish a new appropriation account in the amount of \$1,030,000 for the FLM project and \$4,412,000 for the SFC project within the Transportation Grant Fund No. 655/94, as a front-funding source for this reimbursable grant.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The LADOT reports that applicants may request reimbursement for expenses incurred from the date of the opening of the CTC Partnership Program Call for Projects. There are no local match requirements.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Adopted Item

Ayes: Blumenfield, de León, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Krekorian, Lee, Park, Price Jr., Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (13); Nays: (0); Absent:

McOsker, Padilla (2)

(12) **22-1461**

ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to grant funding from the Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB) and the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) for the Los Angeles River Fish Habitat Pilot Project – Reach 8A (Project).

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

1. AUTHORIZE the City Engineer to execute a grant agreement with the WCB for \$5,265,505 to complete the design, construction, and monitoring of the Project.
2. AUTHORIZE the City Engineer to apply for a grant from the CDFW for \$2,093,840 and to execute a grant agreement with CDFW to finance the anticipated remaining cost of the Project.
3. AUTHORIZE the Bureau of Engineering (BOE), or designee, to accept the WCB and CDFW grant funds and deposit the grant funds into a new account in the Engineering Special Services Fund No. 682/50, entitled “L.A. River Fish Habitat Pilot Project”, to provide the BOE with funding for Project related expenditures, including City staff costs.
4. AUTHORIZE the City Engineer, or designee, to make any technical or accounting corrections, revisions, or clarifications, as needed, to the above recommendations in order to effectuate the intent of the City Council.
5. INSTRUCT the City Administrative Officer to identify \$1.5 million in front funding for this Project through the Capital and Technology Improvement Expenditure Program or other available options.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The BOE reports that grants discussed in the report dated January 5, 2024, attached to the file, are anticipated to cover the staff, consultant, and construction costs for the Project. However, the grants will be on a reimbursement basis and therefore will require front-

funding by the City to cashflow the Project until sufficient grant reimbursements have been received. The Project has already received \$75,000 in CTIEP funding in FY 2023-24 and has a pending CTIEP request for FY 2024-25 of \$100,000.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

Adopted Item as Amended by Motion (Lee- Yaroslavsky) - SEE ATTACHED
Ayes: Blumenfield, de León, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Krekorian, Lee, Park, Price Jr., Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (13); Nays: (0); Absent: McOsker, Padilla (2)

Items for which Public Hearings Have Not Been Held - (10 Votes Required for Consideration)

(13) **19-0290-S3**
CD 3

MOTION (BLUMENFIELD - LEE) relative to a street banner campaign coordinated by the Tarzana Neighborhood Council to promote the Tarzana Neighborhood Council and encourage participation, for the period of April 3, 2024 to April 3, 2025.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. APPROVE, in accordance with the Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 62.132, a Street Banner program being coordinated by the Tarzana Neighborhood Council, as a City of Los Angeles Event Street Banner Program for the period of April 3, 2024 to April 3, 2025.
2. APPROVE the content of the street banner design, attached to the Motion.

Adopted Item

Ayes: Blumenfield, de León, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Park, Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (13); Nays: (0); Absent: Padilla, Price Jr. (2)

(14) **21-1012-S3**
CD 4

MOTION (RAMAN - McOSKER) relative to funding for ongoing community

beautification services in Council District Four (CD 4).

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

1. TRANSFER and APPROPRIATE \$270,000 from the AB1290 Fund No. 53P, Account No. 281204 (CD 4 Redevelopment Project - Services) to the Board of Public Works Fund No. 100/74, Account No. 3040 (Contractual Services), for ongoing community beautification services in CD 4 coordinated by the Office of Community Beautification.
2. INSTRUCT and AUTHORIZE the Board of Public Works, Office of Community Beautification to prepare, process and execute the necessary documents with and/or payments to the Los Angeles Conservation Corps, or any other agency or organization, as appropriate, utilizing the above amount, for the above purpose, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form.
3. AUTHORIZE the Department of Public Works, Office of Accounting to make any technical corrections or clarifications as necessary to the above instructions in order to effectuate the intent of this Motion.

Adopted Item

Ayes: Blumenfield, de León, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Park, Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (13); Nays: (0); Absent: Padilla, Price Jr. (2)

(15) **23-0604**
CD 14

MOTION (PADILLA - RODRIGUEZ) relative to amending the prior Council action of December 12, 2023 regarding a lease agreement with Gregg Williams, Receiver for Maguire Properties - 555 W. Fifth, LLC, for office space located at 555 West 5th Street (Council file No. 23-0604).

Recommendation for Council action:

AMEND the prior Council action of December 12, 2023 regarding a lease agreement with Gregg Williams, Receiver for Maguire Properties - 555 W. Fifth, LLC, for office space located at 555 West 5th Street to authorize the Department of General Services to prepare and execute any documents

or agreements needed to enter into an early parking agreement with the lessor in order to provide parking for staff who will occupy temporary office space while improvements are made to the leased space, with the following terms:

1. The Agreement will include 601 parking stalls at World Trade Center, located at 350 South Figueroa, Los Angeles, California 90071, at a rate of \$110 per month, inclusive of taxes.
2. Card Activation Fees shall not exceed \$10.
3. This agreement shall be effective February 1, 2024 through February 1, 2025, or until the lease agreement for 555 West Fifth Street is executed.

Question Whether to Substitute

Ayes: Blumenfield, de León, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Park, Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (13); Nays: (0); Absent: Padilla, Price Jr. (2)

Substitute Motion (De Leon – Krekorian) Adopted - SEE ATTACHED

Ayes: Blumenfield, de León, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Park, Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (13); Nays: (0); Absent: Padilla, Price Jr. (2)

(16) **12-0054-S2**

MOTION (PARK - McOSKER) relative to a street banner campaign coordinated by the Los Angeles Tourism and Convention Board, with assistance from the City Tourism Department, to celebrate the U.S. Travel Association's IPW to be held May 3-7, 2024 at the Los Angeles Convention Center.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. APPROVE, in accordance with the Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 62.132, a street banner program being coordinated by the Los Angeles Tourism and Convention Board, as a City of Los Angeles Event Street Banner Program for the period of April 10, 2024 - May 10, 2024.

2. APPROVE the content of the street banner design, attached to the Motion.

Adopted Item

Ayes: Blumenfield, de León, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Park, Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (13); Nays: (0); Absent: Padilla, Price Jr. (2)

(17) **24-0011-S5**
CD 14

MOTION (DE LEON - PADILLA) relative to funding for a Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon at Whittier Boulevard and Orme Street in Council District 14.

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

1. TRANSFER and APPROPRIATE \$175,000 in the Council District 14 portion of the Street Furniture Revenue Fund No. 43D/50 to the Department of Transportation Trust Fund 840/94, Account TBD to pay a Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon at Whittier Boulevard and Orme Street.
2. AUTHORIZE the Los Angeles Department of Transportation to make any corrections, clarifications or revisions to the above fund transfer instructions, including any new instructions, in order to effectuate the intent of this Motion, and including any corrections and changes to fund or account numbers; said corrections / clarifications / changes may be made orally, electronically or by any other means.

Adopted Item

Ayes: Blumenfield, de León, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Park, Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (13); Nays: (0); Absent: Padilla, Price Jr. (2)

(18) **24-0089**
CD 14

MOTION (DE LEON - LEE) relative to funding for vehicle recycling services in Council District 14.

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

1. TRANSFER and APPROPRIATE \$150,000 in the Council District 14 portion of the Neighborhood Service Enhancements line item General City Purposes Fund No. 100/56, to the Police Fund No. 100/70, Account No. 003040, to be used for vehicle recycling services in Council District 14.
2. AUTHORIZE the Los Angeles Police Department to make any corrections, clarifications or revisions to the above fund transfer instructions, including any new instructions, in order to effectuate the intent of this Motion including any corrections and changes to fund or account numbers, said corrections / clarifications / changes may be made orally, electronically or by any other means.

Adopted Item

Ayes: Blumenfield, de León, Harris-Dawson, Hutt, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Park, Raman, Rodriguez, Yaroslavsky (11); Nays: Hernandez, Soto-Martínez (2); Absent: Padilla, Price Jr. (2)

Items Called Special

Motions for Posting and Referral - SEE ATTACHED

Council Members' Requests for Excuse from Attendance at Council Meetings

Adjourning Motions

Council Adjournment

ENDING ROLL CALL

Blumenfield, de León, Harris-Dawson, Hernandez, Hutt, Krekorian, Lee, McOsker, Park, Raman, Rodriguez, Soto-Martínez, Yaroslavsky (13); Absent: Padilla, Price Jr. (2)

Whereupon the Council did adjourn.

ATTEST: Holly L. Wolcott, CITY CLERK

By

Council Clerk

PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Regular meeting adjourned at 12:48 p.m.

Special meeting convened at 12:48 p.m.

Special meeting adjourned at 1:21 p.m.

COMMENDATORY RESOLUTIONS

MOVED BY	SECONDED BY	NAME
Soto-Martínez	Blumenfield	James Hong Day
Rodriguez	de León	Detective Brian Whetsel

AMENDING MOTION

AMEND Item No. 12 to include the following instruction:

INSTRUCT the Bureau of Engineering to continue working with the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power on identifying potential impacts to the City's water supply as it pertains to this project.

PRESENTED BY _____
JOHN LEE
Councilmember, 12th District

SECONDED BY _____
KATY YAROSLAVSKY
Councilmember, 5th District

February 2, 2024
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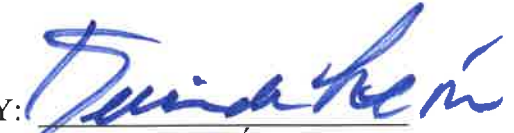
SUBSTITUTE – Item No. 15

MOTION

I MOVE that the Council Action of December 12, 2023, relative to lease agreement with Gregg Williams, Receiver for Maguire Properties – 555 W. Fifth, LLC, for office space located at 555 West 5th Street (C.F. No. 23-0604), BE AMENDED to authorize the Department of General Services to prepare and execute any documents or agreements needed to enter into an early parking agreement with the lessor in order to provide parking for staff who will occupy temporary office space while improvements are made to the leased space, with the following terms:

- The Agreement will include 601 parking stalls at World Trade Center, located at 350 S. Figueroa Street, Los Angeles CA 90071, at a rate of \$110/month, inclusive of taxes;
- Card Activation Fees shall not exceed \$10;
- This agreement shall be effective February 5, 2024; and
- This license agreement may be terminated upon 30-day's notice should the related lease negotiations for office space at 555 W. 5th Street be terminated.

PRESENTED BY:


KEVIN DE LEÓN
Councilmember, 14th District

SECONDED BY:



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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, California Revenue and Taxation Code Chapter 8, Article 1, Section 7056 provides that the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration (CDTFA) shall, when requested by resolution of the legislative body of any county, city, and county, city, or district, permit any duly authorized officer or employee of said entity or other person designated by that resolution, to examine all of the sales or transactions and use tax records of the CDTFA pertaining to sales or transactions and use taxes collected by CDTFA for said entity pursuant to contract entered into between CDTFA and the entity under the Bradley-Bums Uniform Local Sales and Use Tax Law or the Transactions and Use Tax Law; and

WHEREAS, the City of Los Angeles requires access to the sales and use tax records of the CDTFA for authorized representatives of the City to examine confidential sales and transactions and use tax records of the CDTFA pertaining to sales and transactions and use taxes collected by the CDTFA for the City to perform sales and use tax activity, analysis, forecasts, tax discovery for the purposes of identifying taxpayers who could report their sales and/or use tax in a way which would increase revenue to the City; and

WHEREAS, Section 7056 of the California Revenue and Taxation Code sets forth certain requirements and conditions for the disclosure of the CDTFA records and establishes criminal penalties for the unlawful disclosure of information contained in, or derived from sales or transactions and use tax records of the CDTFA; and

WHEREAS, Section 7056 of the California Revenue and Taxation Code requires that any person designated by the City shall have an existing contract to examine the City's sales or transactions and use tax records;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that:

1. The City of Los Angeles hereby rescinds all prior resolutions relating to the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration (CDTFA) and further requests that the following persons be authorized by CDTFA to examine, on behalf of the City of Los Angeles, all sales or transactions and use tax records of the CDTFA pertaining to sales or transactions and use taxes collected for the City by the CDTFA pursuant to the Bradley-Bums Uniform Local Sales and Use Tax Law or the Transactions and Use Tax Law. The information obtained by the examination of CDTFA records shall be used only for purposes related to the collection of City sales or transactions and use taxes by the CDTFA.
 - a. The Director of Finance of the City of Los Angeles and his/her deputized Tax Auditors, Senior Tax Auditors, Principal Tax Auditors, Chief Tax Compliance Officers, Accounting Clerks, and Principal Clerks; the City Administrative Officer of the City of Los Angeles and his/her deputized Assistant City Administrative Officers, Chief Administrative Analysts, Finance Specialists, Senior Administrative Analysts, Administrative Analysts, and Management Assistants; the Controller of the City of Los Angeles and his/her deputies; the Director of Los Angeles City Planning and his/her deputies; or any officer or employee designated in writing by the Director of Finance, City Administrative Officer, City Controller, or Director of Planning.
2. The following Contractors are hereby designated to examine the sales and transactions and use tax records of the CDTFA pertaining to sales and transactions use taxes collected for the City by the CDTFA.

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- a. MuniServices, LLC
7625 N. Palm Avenue. Suite 108
Fresno, CA 93 711
- b. AECOM Technical Services, Inc.
303 E. Wacker Dr. Suite 1400
Chicago, IL 60601

3. The Contractors designated under Section 2 meets all of the following conditions specified in Section 7056(b), (1) of the California Revenue and Taxation Code:

- a. Contractors have an existing contract with the City to examine sales and transactions and use tax records;
- b. Contractors are required by that contract to disclose information contained in, or derived from those sales and transactions and use tax records only to an officer or employee of the City authorized under Section 1 of this resolution to examine the information;
- c. Contractors are prohibited by that contract from performing consulting services for a retailer during the term of that contract;
- d. Contractors are prohibited by that contract from retaining the information contained or derived from those sales and transactions and use tax records after that contract has expired.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the information obtained by examination of CDTFA records shall be used only for purposes related to the collection of the City's sales and transactions and use taxes by the CDTFA pursuant to the contract or agreement between the City and the CDTFA and for purposes related to other governmental functions of the City.

Presented by: Paul Kerkorian

PAUL KREKORIAN
Councilmember, 2nd District

Seconded by: B. Blum

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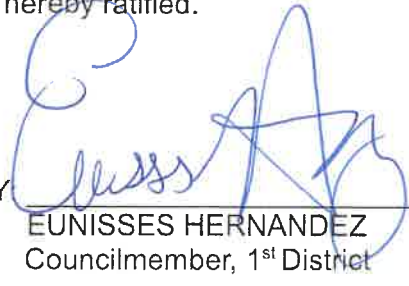
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MOTION

I MOVE that the LA City Council authorize LAHD to retroactively reinstate and amend the Professional Services Agreement (Contract No. C-141389) to a new termination date of December 31, 2024 subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form, and to the extent that any services were performed by HACLA in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Professional Services Agreement, those services are hereby ratified.

PRESENTED BY


EUNISSES HERNANDEZ
Councilmember, 1st District

SECONDED BY:



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TO CITY CLERK FOR PLACEMENT ON NEXT
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M O T I O N

I MOVE that \$400 be transferred / appropriated from the Council's portion of the Heritage Month Celebrations & Special Events line item in the General City Purposes Fund No. 100-56 to the General Services Fund No.100-40, Account No. 1070 (Salaries-As Needed), for services in connection with the Council District 15 special observation of St. Patrick's Day on March 15, 2024, at City Hall, including the illumination of City Hall.

PRESENTED BY:



**TIM McOSKER
Councilman, 15th District**

SECONDED BY:



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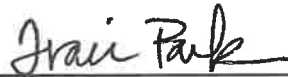
The Department of Public Works, through its Board of Commissioners, is requesting the use of the City Hall Tom Bradley Room for a Women's History Month celebration to be held on Thursday, March 21, 2024. The Department anticipates that approximately 100 participants will attend. No additional costs will be incurred to the City by the approval of this request. Action is needed to authorize the Department of Public Works to use the Bradley Tower, City Hall.

I THEREFORE MOVE, the Department of Public Works be authorized to use the City Hall Tom Bradley Room on Thursday, March 21, 2024, from 2pm -6pm.

PRESENTED BY:


KATY YAROSLAVSKY
Councilwoman, 5th District

SECONDED BY:



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For the last few years, the unfinished Oceanwide Plaza property at 1101 South Flower Street has been a blight on Downtown Los Angeles' South Park neighborhood. Started in 2015, the project's construction was abruptly halted in late 2019 after funding for the project was cut off. Since then Oceanwide Plaza has sat half-finished and abandoned – a black eye on an otherwise vibrant part of DTLA.

Oceanwide Plaza has experienced trespassing and vandalism over the last few years however criminal activity has increased exponentially over the last month, peaking over the last several days. Neighbors report trucks ramming into the gates and driving into the building to facilitate copper wire theft and vandalism. Dozens of videos posted to social media show people breaking into the property on Tuesday and Wednesday nights, climbing hundreds of feet up the unfinished towers, and tagging the windows on at least 30 of the building's 53 floors with graffiti. It is abundantly clear that Oceanwide Plaza has become a hazard to surrounding residents, businesses, passersby, and to the criminals recklessly breaking into the property and it must be dealt with immediately.

In light of the property becoming a nuisance, the Department of Building and Safety issued an abatement notice to the owners of Oceanwide Plaza on January 31, 2024. The property owners have until February 17, 2024 to remove all graffiti and debris and securely fence the property or the City will begin its own abatement process.

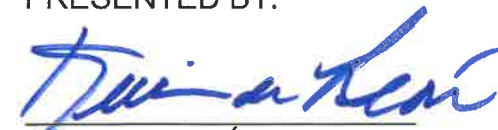
I FURTHER MOVE to instruct the Department of Building and Safety (DBS), the Bureau of Street Services (BSS), and the Bureau of Engineering (BOE) to order the permittee to secure the site, remove all encroachments from the public right of way, and restore the public right of way to its original condition or construct improvements in accordance with the associated B Permit.

I FURTHER MOVE to instruct the DBS, BSS, Department of Transportation, and General Services Department to secure the site and restore the public right of way to its prior condition should the permittee fail to act within the time allotted to them by law,

I FURTHER MOVE to instruct the City Administrative Officer to identify front-funding for the securing of the site, removal of obstructions, and restoration of the public right of way should the permittee fail to comply with department orders.

I FURTHER MOVE to instruct the DBS and BOE, in coordination with the City Attorney, to recover all city costs consistent with applicable law.

PRESENTED BY:


KEVIN DE LEÓN
Councilmember, 14th District

SECONDED BY:



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Nickerson Gardens is a 1,066-unit public housing apartment complex at 1590 East 114th Street in Watts. Nickerson Gardens is the largest public housing development west of the Mississippi River. In March 1954, the Gardens first opened for occupancy and was originally designed by Paul Revere Williams. It was named after William Nickerson Jr., the founder and former CEO of Golden State Mutual Life Insurance Company.

The complex is owned and managed by the Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles (HACLA). Nickerson Gardens consists of 156 buildings with townhouse style units made up of single bedroom units. Launched in 2008, Summer Night Lights (SNL) has become a summer staple in the Los Angeles communities. SNL creates safe evening environments for areas impacted by gang-related violence. This is accomplished by providing extended programming and sports leagues, along with safe space for recreation, community engagement, employment opportunities, and linkages to local resources.

Programming through the City's budget focused on reinvesting in communities that are highly affected by unemployment, such as through SNL, builds community trust and offers positive alternatives to communities impacted by violence. SNL is a highly successful public-private partnership between the City and non-profit organizations. Historically, approximately half of the program's cost is paid for by the generous support of foundation and corporate donors. SNL partners include the: Los Angeles Police Department, Department of Recreation and Parks, GRYD intervention and prevention contractors, Department of Cultural Affairs, the GRYD Foundation, the Los Angeles City Attorney's Office and Los Angeles area professional sports teams, among others.

SNL programming for Nickerson Gardens takes place on a center ballfield at the complex. Residents and community members throughout Watts thoroughly enjoy the recreational programming. The conditions of the field have unsurprisingly been impacted by SNL and residents want to enjoy the field throughout the year. Plans for regular landscaping can allow the field to be more durable and sustainably utilized. An assessment of the fields across all HACLA facilities will give the City a better understanding of the impact of the City-funded programming that serves constituents and provides community benefits, while significantly impacting the facilities.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council instruct the Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles, with assistance from the City Administrative Officer, to report on the current maintenance and operation of the recreational facilities (inclusive of fields, courts, and community gardens) located at Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles sites citywide, specific to where City-funded programming occurs. The report should include:

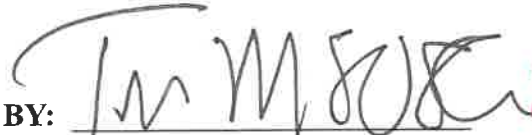
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- The name of the entity or organization that is in charge of maintenance related to the aforementioned facilities;
- The related maintenance plans with their associated costs and timelines for maintenance or repair related to the aforementioned facilities; and
- Avenues for further collaboration between entities outside of the City, such as non-profit organizations, and City entities, specifically the Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles, to ensure regular maintenance for the aforementioned facilities.

PRESENTED BY:



TIM McOSKER

Councilmember, 15th District

SECONDED BY:



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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, any official position of the City of Los Angeles with respect to legislation, rules, regulations or policies, proposed to or pending before a local, state or federal governmental body or agency, must have first been adopted in the form of a Resolution by the City Council with the concurrence of the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, on January 9, 2024, Senator Dave Cortese, introduced California Senate Bill 915 that empowers local communities, maintains safety for pedestrians, passengers, and other vehicles, and establishes a community-centered approach in the decision to deploy autonomous vehicle services; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 915 would empower local governments to determine how autonomous vehicles operate in a given area, as well as enforce traffic laws on autonomous vehicle companies by enacting new local ordinances, as needed, in real-time; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 915 allows each local government to set up its own rules for self-driving vehicles based on the community's unique needs. Local governments will be able to govern fares on robotaxis, the number of autonomous vehicles on the road, and demarcate potential areas of special or restricted operations. This will manage traffic and reduce the potential for injuries, especially as autonomous driving technology is in the early stages of public operational roll-out; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 915 has the support of the California Teamsters Public Affairs Council, California Conference Board of the Amalgamated, Transit Union, California League of Cities, and California Labor Federation; and

WHEREAS, Peter Finn, Teamsters Western Region International Vice President and Secretary-Treasurer of Teamsters Local 856 was reported saying, "Our streets should not be private laboratories for untested technology. SB 915 is the common-sense measure to ensure autonomous vehicles don't operate in a regulatory vacuum, putting lives at risk. Local communities deserve a say in how these vehicles operate on their streets."; and

WHEREAS, according to Senator Dave Cortese, "City councils and county boards of supervisors adopt ordinances on any given week, nimbly and with local accountability. SB 915 returns control to the local communities who know their streets best. The emergence of autonomous vehicles is an exciting technological development with massive potential upsides for safety and convenience. We must ensure this innovative technology rolls out safely. SB 915 strikes the right balance between responsible technology deployment and public safety. Under SB 915, the rules of the road will continue to be established and enforced by the people who live there"; and

WHEREAS, Over the last year, driverless vehicles have delayed transport and medical care, blocked emergency vehicles, and interfered during active firefighting and crime scenes. Forcing first responders to relocate their emergency vehicles because of wayward autonomous vehicles; and

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WHEREAS, many communities have expressed concerns over the number of driverless vehicles allowed to operate on their local streets; hours allowed for service/operation; locations of vulnerable populations (e.g. schoolyards) or substandard conditions like our hillside communities; and damage to local streets and roads with heavier than average displacement; and


WHEREAS, these events have sparked a backlash in communities in recent months following a series of traffic snarls and crashes. In one incident, a person walking was run over and dragged by a Cruise vehicle after she was struck by another car. The DMV only took disciplinary action, suspending Cruise's deployment permit, after it became clear that Cruise misled California regulators about the severity of the event; and


WHEREAS, by allowing each city, county, or city and county that adopts a policy for entry into the business of providing autonomous vehicle services which must include and consider: maximum rates for passenger fares (robotaxi), establishment of vehicle caps, establishment of data transparency, establishment of interoperability for emergency responders, a process of ensuring ADA accessibility, annual inspections for health and safety. SB 915 will go a long way towards repairing the flawed approach that governs the deployment of robotaxis and similar services in California;

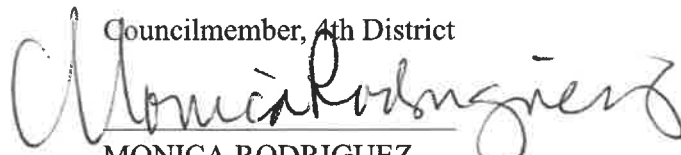
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2023 - 2024 State Legislative Program SUPPORT for Senate Bill 915, " The Autonomous Vehicle Service Deployment and Data Transparency Act", which would prioritized local control in the decision to deploy autonomous vehicle services.

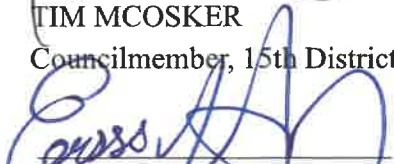
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HUGO SOTO-MARTÍNEZ
Councilmember, 13th District


NITHYA RAMAN
Councilmember, 4th District


TIM MCOSKER
Councilmember, 15th District


MONICA RODRIGUEZ
Councilmember, 7th District


EUNISSES HERNANDEZ
Councilmember, 1st District



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MOTION

In response to a changed and still-changing climate that threatens the public health and safety of all Angelenos, the City Council has adopted a number of very aggressive goals to both reduce the City's emission of climate-warming greenhouse gasses and to make our communities more resilient. Among these are goals for the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) to provide 100% clean energy by 2035 and to source 70% of its water from local sources by the same date. These goals continue to be strongly supported by the City Council and Mayor and represent a radical transformation in how the Department will serve the City of Los Angeles in the future.

To achieve these and other important goals while ensuring that historic inequities are rectified and ratepayer funding is spent wisely, LADWP will need to be much more aggressive, innovative, efficient, and nimble than it has in the past. At this time, however, the department is undergoing a significant change in leadership both on the Board of Water and Power Commissioners and at the position of General Manager. In order to transform LADWP to be prepared for the future, its new leadership needs to have a deep understanding of the current state of the department and its path for achieving its future goals.

This future vision for LADWP comes during a time when the City has experienced significant organizational problems related to unsafe power poles, power outages, water system failures, and communications breakdowns. Additionally, the most recent Industrial, Economic and Administrative Survey (IEA) of the Department noted issues associated with aging infrastructure and the failure to meet some key performance indicators. Among the most important infrastructure needs are automated electric meters that would allow LADWP to identify power outages in real time and facilitate expansive demand response programs. Unfortunately, the IEA did not explicitly acknowledge or address many of the institutional barriers that have prohibited or delayed the Department's ability to meet its current and future challenges. Additionally, the IEA does not consider the role and function of the Board of Water and Power Commissioners and how it supports the department's ability to achieve its goals.

Public and private organizations that are undergoing these types of significant leadership and operational challenges and that face significant obstacles to change have frequently sought an independent evaluation of their current systems, operations, and processes and their plans for achieving their future goals to help inform and guide decision-making and ensure a strategic focus. Having such an assessment will both inform the current efforts to consider revisions to the City's Charter and will help support the Commission and new General Manager as they begin guiding LADWP into becoming a modern, effective, equitable, and responsive electric and water utility.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council request that the Board of Water and Power Commissioners - in consultation with the Office of the Controller - solicit, hire, and oversee an

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independent expert contractor to conduct a comprehensive organizational performance and program evaluation to:

1) assess the current systems, processes, organization, and operations of the Power System, Water System, and Joint System to identify systemic or institutional improvements that could be implemented to ensure these systems are well-positioned to implement effectively the goals that the City Council has established for the department, including identifying and recommending changes to overcome any barriers that may exist within the department that may hinder achievement of these goals;

2) assess the LADWP's various existing planning documents such as strategic and/or master plans (e.g., LA 100 Study, LA 100 Equity Strategies, Power System Reliability Program, Water Master Plan, etc.) and the department's staffing, organizational structure, and resource needs to implement these plans, including identifying barriers or obstacles and recommending changes or improvements - including potential revisions to the City Charter - that would ensure the department can deliver the goals that the City Council has imposed on the department in the timelines set;

3) review the role and authorities of the Board of Water and Power Commissioners, as stated in the City Charter, Commission Rules, and any other relevant documents, and review similar boards and commissions of other publicly-owned utilities to identify best practices, and identify potential revisions to the Commission's guiding documents and procedures - including potential revisions to the City Charter - to ensure that the Commission can effectively support and guide the department as it transitions to clean energy, local water, and other important goals; and

4) review the guidance documents and instructions for the implementation of the Industrial, Economic and Administrative Survey (IEA) and make recommendations for improvements that should be incorporated into future IEA assessments.

PRESENTED BY: 
Katy Yaroslavsky, Councilwoman
5th District

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MOTION

The Inflation Reduction Act provides funding for grants to monitor and reduce greenhouse gas emissions and other air pollutants at schools in low-income and disadvantaged communities. Further, these specific grants for K-12 schools in low-income, disadvantaged, and Tribal communities are to be used for the development and adoption of comprehensive “indoor air quality” (IAQ) management plans to address air pollution and energy efficiency consistent with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency’s (EPA) recommended best practices.

IAQ is a critical component of a healthy indoor environment and can help schools achieve their primary goal of educating children. IAQ management includes the control of airborne pollutants, introduction and distribution of adequate outdoor air and maintenance of acceptable temperature and relative humidity.

EPA studies of human exposure to air pollutants indicate that indoor levels of pollutants may be two to five times—and occasionally more than 100 times—higher than outdoor levels. Often, indoor air quality is poor because indoor sources of air pollution, like mold, are not controlled and the pollutant levels can become concentrated without adequate ventilation of fresh outdoor air.

Levels of indoor air pollutants remain a concern due to most people spending about 90% of their time indoors. Indoor pollution in schools, specific to the Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD), is a growing concern as children breathe more air in proportion to their body weight than adults.

Failure to prevent or respond promptly to IAQ problems can increase long- and short-term health effects for students and staff, increase absenteeism, reduce academic performance, and shorten the lifespan and effectiveness of facility systems and equipment. Examples of the health effects of indoor air pollution include coughing, respiratory diseases, allergic reactions, and aggravated asthma.

Implementing energy efficiency measures while simultaneously improving IAQ in schools can help mitigate climate and pollution impacts while providing long-term savings through lower energy consumption. The City should explore opportunities to invest in energy efficiency measures to ensure good quality IAQ is available at LAUSD facilities.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council direct the City Administrative Officer, in consultation with the Chief Legislative Analyst, and with assistance from the Los Angeles School Unified District, report in 15 days on the City’s eligibility for funding under the Inflation Reduction Act’s Grant Funding to Address Indoor Air Pollution at Schools. This report should specifically look at schools in communities historically surrounded by environmentally damaging uses of land (such as schools in Watts) or those defined as “environmental justice areas” or located in “Clean Up Green Up Zones” (such as schools in Wilmington) in Council District 15. The report should also include specific recommendations for which schools should be considered in a City or LAUSD-sponsored application for grant funding.

I FURTHER MOVE that City Council direct the City Administrative Officer, in consultation with the Chief Legislative Analyst, and with assistance from the Los Angeles School Unified District, to prepare grant applications based on the aforementioned report and recommendations in order to meet the deadline for the Inflation Reduction Act’s Grant Funding to Address Indoor Air Pollution at Schools.

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PRESENTED BY:



TIM McOSKER
Councilmember, 15th District

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